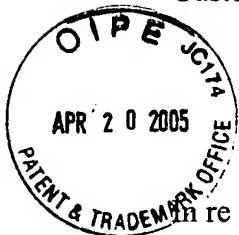


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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

This is in response to the *NON*-final Office Action mailed January 21, 2005, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 21, 2005. In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in the application.

The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.